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# Trooper On Final Shift Hit By Passing Vehicle

By Jeff D'Alessio  
The News-Enterprise

A Kentucky state trooper working his final shift on the force was hit by a vehicle Aug. 30 in the north-bound lane of Interstate 65 afternoon while walking on the shoulder of the road to issue a speeding ticket.

Sam Shacklette, 46, a 20-year veteran of KSP, had "about an hour left in his shift," said KSP Post 4 spokesman Jeff Gregory. Gregory said Shacklette was scheduled to retire at midnight Saturday.

The crash happened around the 107-mile marker of I-65 when a car clipped the vehicle Shacklette had pulled over. Gregory said Shacklette stopped a speeding car and was about midway by the pulled-over vehicle when a 2002 Ford SUV driven by Louis Edward Dunn, 43, of Bonnieville, struck the car. That vehicle spun off the stopped vehicle and ended up in the shoulder of the road. The impact threw Shacklette approximately 50 feet, according

to Gregory. Shacklette was taken from the scene by ambulance to University Hospital in Louisville where he was listed in stable condition with non-life-threatening injuries Saturday night, Gregory said. There were no other injuries in the collision. "He's blessed," Gregory said. "As bad as it was, it could have been even worse."

Dunn was cited for failure to give right of way to a stopped emergency vehicle, operating on a expired license and having no insurance. KSP was assisted at the scene by Bullitt County EMS, Shepherdsville Fire Department, the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Lebanon Junction Police Department.

Shacklette and his wife, Jodi, are heavily involved with the post's Shop With A Trooper program that provides Christmas gifts each year for dozens of children. Jodi, a dispatcher at Post 4, "spearheads the program," Gregory said. She was not working at the time of the crash.

# Ky. Granted Extension For Federal REAL ID

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has added Kentucky to a growing list of states and territories granted extensions of time for meeting requirements of the stringent new identification security law known as REAL ID — meaning a Kentucky driver's license is still sufficient for gaining access to the vast majority of federal buildings.

The extension runs through Oct. 10, 2015, and is renewable. Without the extension, those with a Kentucky driver's license would have had to produce another form of identification, such as a birth certificate or U.S. passport, for access to some federal properties.

The REAL ID Act was passed by Congress in 2005 in response to the 9/11 Commission, which recommended that the federal government "set standards for the issuance of sources of identification, such as driver's licenses." The federal act sets minimum standards for production and issuance of state-issued driver's licenses

and identification cards. It also prohibits federal agencies from accepting for official uses driver's licenses and IDs from "noncompliant" states. By virtue of being granted an extension, Kentucky is not considered to be out of compliance.

To date, 20 other states besides Kentucky have been given extensions, as have the District of Columbia and the territories of Guam, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Twenty-one states are listed by the Department of Homeland Security as in compliance. Nine states and American Samoa are listed as noncompliant.

Complying with REAL ID is more complicated for Kentucky than for most other states — in part because driver's licenses are issued by circuit court clerks, not by a department of motor vehicles. There are 142 issuance locations around Kentucky — all of which would have to meet a greatly enhanced security standard. A security assessment of the local offices is in process.

# Hopkins Co. Health Dept. Issues Restaurant Report

The following food service establishment inspections were conducted by the Hopkins County Health Department through Aug. 27.

•Ideal Market #29 (Dawson Springs) — 100.	•Christ the King School Café — 100
•Ideal Market #23 (White Plains) — 98	•Southside School Café — 100

Violation for ther-

mometers not found in some cooling units.

•Food Giant (Dawson Springs) — 100  
•Pizza Hunt (Dawson Springs) — 100  
•Christ the King School Café — 100  
•Southside School Café — 100



**SUPERINTENDENT Lenny Whalen presents Joe Loney with a certificate for his recognition by staff members and peers. The presentation at the board meeting Monday, Aug. 18.**

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# Kentucky Dam State Park Liquor Sales Going Great

By Andrea Moore  
The Paducah Sun

When tourists drive into Kentucky Dam Village State Park, they see a large banner that reads "Now serving Coors Light."

According to Park Manager Scott Ratzlaff, the park has seen a 5 to 8 percent bump in revenue since liquor sales began on Aug. 1 at the Harbor Lights restaurant located in the park.

"Being able to serve liquor is another amenity that we can provide to our guests and add to our menu," Ratzlaff said. "We also have the ability to offer our guests liquor through our catering services throughout the park."

The park, which was recently annexed by Calvert City, was able to begin serving because the city's law permits liquor sales.

According to Randy Newcomb, executive director of the Kentucky Lake Convention and Visitors Bureau, a frequent question tourists to the Marshall County area ask is does the county have a place to get a drink.

"Now we not only have a place they can go to get a drink but an actual resort they can visit that serves alcohol," Newcomb said. "This is a boost for Kentucky Dam Village State Park and the area."

Newcomb said in September a large convention of around 200 outdoor writers from the Great Lakes area will be coming to stay at the park, and one of the things they requested was alcohol.

"Now, instead of visitors having to go someplace else to get a drink, they can stay at the park without having to drive," Newcomb added.

Gill Lawson, communications director for the Kentucky Tourism Cabinet, said the sale of alcoholic beverages has been popular at other state resort parks across Kentucky.

"The introduction of alcoholic beverages was a positive step for those parks, and it will be a positive step for Kentucky Dam Village State Park," Lawson said. According to Ratzlaff, the park is serving beer, wine and spirits.

"We have had extensive training for our staff on how to serve liquor and how to handle different situations they may face," Ratzlaff said. "Since we began offering alcohol, we have had no issues or disturbances related to serving it."

Ratzlaff said the park gets its liquor through licensed distributors for Kentucky, and they follow all the regulations of the Kentucky Alcohol Beverage Control Department.



**HAYLEY HART competes in the sack race at the Fun Night competitions Friday, Aug. 22, at the city park.**

# Dawson Spring Officers Report Week's Activities

The Dawson Springs Police Department released the following reports last week:

—James Fairchild, 28, Dawson Springs, was arrested Aug. 26. He was charged with contempt of court on a Hopkins County warrant. Capt. Jonathan Sholar was the charging officer.

—Carey Bowlsbey, 47, address unknown, was arrested Aug. 26. She was charged with public intoxication (controlled substance, excludes alcohol). Brad Ross was the charging officer, assisted

by Capt. Jonathan Sholar. —Jeremy W. Russell, 32, Dawson Springs, was arrested Aug. 27. He was charged with alcohol intoxication in a public place and second-degree fleeing or evading police (on foot). Brad Ross was the charging officer.

—David Ochampaugh, 28, Dawson Springs, was arrested Aug. 27. He was charged with non-payment of fines on a Hopkins County warrant. Capt. Jonathan Sholar was the charging officer.

# Cattle Truck Overtakes On Pennyriple Parkway

An accident involving an 18-wheeler hauling cattle occurred Thursday morning on the Pennyriple Parkway.

According to the Hopkins County Sheriff's Department, John Book was driving the vehicle north on the parkway at approximately 5:22 a.m. At the 35 mile marker he moved too far to the left of the lane, causing the truck to enter the median. Approx-

mately half of the 100 cows in the trailer did not survive. Book was not injured during the incident.

The sheriff's office was assisted at the scene by the Kentucky State Police, Mortons Gap Fire Department, South Hopkins Fire Department, Hopkins County Detention Center, State Road Department and the Hopkins County Road Department.

# Sheriff Seeks Help To Locate 4-wheeler Owner

The Hopkins County Sheriff's Department is seeking assistance in locating the owner of a 4-wheeler located on Tra-bue Road in Mortons Gap.

The Yamaha 250/300 2-wheel drive vehicle is painted blue and black.

The base color is red. Anyone with information pertaining to this 4-wheeler is asked to phone the sheriff's office at 270-821-5661.

Detective Otis Chamberlain is the reporting deputy.

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# Charleston Baptist Welcomes New Pastor

Charleston Baptist Church will welcome Bro. Patrick Mayes as its new pastor beginning Sunday. Mayes is a graduate of West Hopkins High School and is married to the former Sherry Traylor. They have three children and a daughter-in-law, Jared and his wife Dana (Jennings), Cassie and Matthew.

Prior to becoming Charleston's pastor, Mayes served churches in Princeton. The public is invited to attend Sunday and Wednesday services. Sunday school begins at 10 a.m., followed by worship at 11 a.m. and Sunday night services at 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible study begins at 6:30 p.m.

# Services Held Sunday For Opal Pauline Thomason

The funeral for Opal Pauline Thomason Rodgers, 87, of Madisonville, was held Sunday at Reid-Walters Funeral Home. Bro. Kim Hudson officiated. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery. Mrs. Rodgers died Aug. 27, 2014, at Belle Meade Nursing Home in Greenville. She was born Feb. 7, 1927, in Hopkins County, to the late Dewey Jefferson Thomason and Vir-

ginia Lal Watson Thomason. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Earlington. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Carl Vester Rodgers; a son, William Wayne Rodgers; and two brothers, Kemp Thomason and J.B. Thomason. She is survived by a daughter, Tresea Davis of Woodstock, Ga.

# OBITUARIES

# Services Held Saturday For Thomas Huddleston

The funeral for Thomas Earl Huddleston, 73, of Earlington, was held Saturday at Reid-Walters Funeral Home. Bro. Nathan Bruce officiated. The burial was private. Huddleston died Aug. 27, 2014, at Baptist Health Madisonville. He was born Oct. 13, 1940, in Earlington, to the late Audie Lee and Lillie Faughender Huddleston. He was a United States Army veteran, a retired

stock clerk at K-Mart and a member of the Assembly of God Church in Earlington. Survivors include three sisters, Patsy Payne, Nortonville, Debbie Patterson and Kathy Mulligan, both Madisonville; three brothers, Richard D. Huddleston and Danny Huddleston, both Dawson Springs, and Gary Huddleston, Earlington; and several nieces and nephews.

# Homecoming Is Sunday At Mount Pisgah Church

Homecoming will be held Sunday at Mount Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church. Sunday school begins at 9:45 a.m. with preaching at 10:45. Bro. Johnnie Davis will be the speaker.

A potluck lunch will be served after morning services, followed with singing by Living Proof at approximately 1:30 p.m. Bro. Robin Redd is the church pastor.

# Services Held Sunday For Roy Gardner Cook

The funeral for Roy Gardner Cook, 88, of Hopkinsville, was held Sunday at Hughart and Beard Funeral Home. The Rev. Randall Rogers and the Rev. Joe Leek officiated. Burial was in Green Hill Memorial Gardens. Gardner died Aug. 29, 2014, at Baptist Health Madisonville. He was born May 25, 1926, to the late Floyd Alan and Lillie Mae P'Pool Cook. He was an Army veteran who served in the 78th Infantry Division in Germany in World War II. He was a retired foreman with the Kentucky State Highway Department

and attended First Baptist Church in Dawson Springs. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Rosa Mae Childress Cook; and a daughter, Deanna Brooks. Survivors include his wife, Lurlene Farris Cook; two sons, Larry Gardner Cook and Terry Cook, both Hopkinsville; three daughters, Donna Jean Parker and Linda Gail Baucum, both Hopkinsville, and Debbie Farris Robertson Benton; a brother, Urey Cook, Hopkinsville; 17 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

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**Elijah and The widow at Zerephath**  
I Kings 17

The brook Elijah was sitting by and drinking from dried up because there had been no rain in the land. The LORD told him to go to Zerephath of Sidon and stay there because He had commanded a widow in that place to supply him with food. Elijah went and found a widow gathering sticks. He asked her to bring him water to drink and a piece of bread. She explained that she didn't have any bread only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. She told Elijah that she was gathering a few sticks to take home and make a meal for herself and her son that they would eat and then die. Elijah told her to not be afraid but to go home and do as she had said but first make a small cake of bread for him from what she had and bring it to him and then make something for herself and her son. Elijah told her, "This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: 'The jar of flour will not be used up and the jug of oil will not run dry until the day the LORD gives rain on the land.'" The widow did as Elijah had told her and there was food every day for Elijah and for the woman and her family. The jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry, in keeping with the word of the LORD spoken by Elijah.

Later the son of the woman became ill and finally stopped breathing. She asked why. Elijah took the boy to the upper room where he was staying, and laid him on his bed and asked the Lord, "O LORD my God, have you brought tragedy also upon this widow I am staying with, by causing her son to die?" He stretched himself out on the boy three times and asked the Lord to let life return to the boy. The LORD heard Elijah's cry, and the boy's life returned to him. Then the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God and that the word of the LORD from your mouth is the truth."

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**DONNA BROOKS, a Providence artist, created a mermaid sculpture out of sand Saturday at Pennyriple Forest State Resort Park's "End of Summer Beach Blast" celebrating the park's 60th anniversary.**

photo by Dave Campbell

# Park's 60th Anniversary Was Hugh Success

**By Dave Campbell  
For the New Era**

More than 100 beach and park lovers capped off the summer Saturday with a weekend-long party celebrating Pennyriple Forest State Resort Park's 60th anniversary.

An afternoon rain failed to drown out the end-of-summer fun, and many seemed to enjoy the cooler temperatures that followed at the park's End of Summer Beach Blast. Friends of the Pennyriple also found it a good way to show off a number of recently completed improvements to the park, as Saturday's lineup of events featured a side-walk chalk competition, music, food, a limbo contest, sand sculpture class

and a volleyball tournament.

Krista and Michael Moore, Madisonville, both said they like to come out to the beach but hadn't made a trip in a couple of years. They said they didn't know about the weekend festivities until they came out to do some grilling.

They brought their children, Macy and Cassidy, and friend, Zoe Mason, with them.

"We always enjoy coming to this area," Krista Moore said. "It's always really clean and never too crowded. I really like that they've updated the beach, and it looks like the putt-putt area too."

This year's special occasion recognizing its 60th year in operation and 90 years of the

Kentucky State Parks was well timed with the park's completed renovations to the beach lagoon area.

Drainage and dredge work have resolved some of the beach's irrigation problems in recent years. The work has also restored many visitors' reason to return.

Kenneth Day, Central City, said he's noticed that it's just a better beach with the improvements.

"It's an excellent upgrade," Day said. "We come out every year, and it's a lot better than previous years."

The Day family said they love the look of the white sand and revamped swimming area, with its crystal clear water.

"All they need now is

a good diving dock," Day said.

"The park has gone from zero to 60 in no time," said Lowell Mendyk, park employee. "The beach was renovated two years ago. People are starting to catch on that the renovations have made it a first-class beach."

Mendyk said guests are raving about the new white sand on a beach that sits inside a cozy lagoon with rock cliffs completing a really nice "pastoral" setting. The park also offers a hiking trail and plenty of opportunities for photos.

"We did a big refurbishing of the beach, and it's been doing well," said Rebecca Clark, the park's program services supervisor. "Some days, we've seen nearly 300

people on the beach this summer."

Many of the weekend guests were from out of town, and some came from as far away as Indiana, Ohio and beyond, Mendyk said.

Dave Simpson and Sandie Sephton's family battled construction on their four-hour drive down from Louisville.

Meanwhile, Donna Brooks, an artist from Providence, has learned to build sand sculptures among other various forms of art she enjoys, and she shared her unique talent with others Saturday by creating a mermaid sculpture out of sand.

"I've been doing this a long time," Brooks said. Later she added in addition to getting to

do something she loves, "They sponsor me, feed me and they treat me like a queen. I love Pennyriple, used to come here as a child. So to be able to do this now is wonderful."

The rain and thunder rolled in a little after 2 p.m. Clark announced it over her megaphone, and then led families up the hill from the beach, under a covered picnic shelter to make tie-dyed T-shirts.

Later in the evening, park visitors and employees celebrated its past with an event that allowed former employees and longtime guests including Dawson Springs Mayor Jenny Sewell, to speak about their experiences over the years.

Events continued through the weekend.

# Christ Tabernacle Providing Jobs For Life

**From  
The Times Leader**

Employment is an important part of life's journey. Some struggle to find a job that satisfies them while others struggle just to find a job in these difficult economic times.

But members of Christ Tabernacle Church in Princeton are offering a program that can help the unemployed and underemployed get back on track.

The 8-week, 16-class program called Jobs for Life will begin at Christ Tabernacle, located at 1839 U.S. Hwy. 62 West (across from Walmart), Tuesday, Sept. 9, and individuals are encouraged to sign up now.

The program will be offered every Tuesday and Thursday from 6-8 p.m. at the church. It is free and open to all adults in the community — those looking for employment or those looking for a different career path.

Christ Tabernacle pastor Troy Jent said he worked with the Hopkinsville YMCA in offering the Jobs for Life program in the past and saw participants from a variety of fields and backgrounds.

"We had two ladies who were retired and wanted to re-enter the workforce," said Jent. "One retired from the school system and had

been out of the workforce for 10 years. She was nervous about how things had changed and took the course to help alleviate her fears about finding a new career."

The Jobs for Life program, which uses Biblical principles and practical application for employment success, is designed to give students the tools they need to find the right job. Students may be unemployed or may be unsatisfied on their current career path.

Program instructors help individuals realize what careers are best suited to them, help them network with employers and help acquire necessary skills by inviting guest speakers each week and leading participants through workbook instruction.

"I think one of the biggest strengths of this program is that it helps people identify roadblocks in their lives and how to overcome them. Roadblocks for some may be transportation issues, problems with babysitters or past jail time," said Dave Pelletier, one of three Christ Tabernacle members volunteering to lead the program in Princeton.

Pelletier, who is a maintenance manager for World Headquarters in Hopkinsville, will be joined by Holly Maloney, a human resource



**PASTOR Troy Jent (center) with church members Dave Pelletier (left) and Holly Maloney are taking their skills from their own successful careers and sharing them with community members who are unemployed or unsatisfied on their current career paths.**

photo by Stacey Menser

manager with Liberty Tire Recycling, and Rob Huddleston, an asphalt and equipment manager with Rogers Group, in leading the program at Christ Tabernacle.

Jent said it is a blessing to see church members offering talents they use in a secular capacity to support this ministry.

"God gives to us and we want to give to others," said Maloney. "There comes a time when you have to stop taking and start giving

back. This program is a way we can give back to others by pooling our resources, our experiences and our contacts and using them to make a deposit in someone else's life."

Christ Tabernacle offered the Jobs for Life program earlier this year and decided to offer it once again to a larger audience.

Spots are available for approximately 10 students, and those interested are asked to sign

up now.

To enroll for the free Jobs for Life program, email Maloney at maloney.h@gmail.com or call 270-704-9044 or 270-498-7063.

Students are expected to attend classes regularly. A celebration and graduation ceremony will be held at the conclusion of the program, and leaders are available to help participants find jobs.

Those wanting help in building skills for a

successful future are encouraged to participate.

"It is a good program. I think people who take it will walk away changed in the way they look at working," said instructor Rob Huddleston.

"It really and truly is a blessing to have employment."

Jobs for Life is a nationwide program with classes being offered in 160 cities and 34 states across the country.





**EIGHTH GRADERS** participating in the sponge brigade at the Fun Night event Friday, Aug. 22, are Nathan Cunningham and Marlee Burden.

photo by Mike Howton

## Paducah Named Number Five In World's Top Tourist Destinations

By David Zoeller  
The Paducah Sun

See if you can complete this list of the world's top five cities as tourist destinations: San Francisco, Paris, Mumbai, Rome and .....

If you guessed Paducah, you would be right.

In "The 2014 Traveler 50: World's Smartest Cities," featured in the October issue of National Geographic Traveler magazine, Paducah is right there at No. 5 sandwiched between Paris and Melbourne.

Under the subheadline "Common Threads" for the Paducah listing, author George W. Stone writes: "Paducah has us in stitches. This small Kentucky town was recently named a UNESCO City of Crafts and Folk Art for its efforts to sew together world-class fiber art assets (the National Quilt Museum is located here) and to attract creatives (potters, painters, jewelry makers) to its Lower Town Arts District."

National Geographic Traveler is the travel arm of publications that operate under the National Geographic Society banner, which includes its flagship National Geographic magazine, National Geographic Kids, and National Geographic Little Kids. It is the world's largest travel magazine with more than 8 million readers.

"What's great about articles like this is it shows Paducah is on par with Paris and Melbourne, which is phenomenal publicity for our community as a whole," said Frank Bennett, CEO of the National Quilt Museum. "We're truly an international destination. People literally come to Paducah to see our tourist destinations from around the world every single day."

During July, the museum had visitors from 46 states and 11 foreign countries, according to Bennett.

"We're just honored to be part of that list, to be among such great cities worldwide," said Laura Schaumburg, marketing director for the Paducah Convention & Visitors Bureau.

This designation speaks to Paducah's rich tradition of quality and recognizes how we connect culture with creativity.

Following the UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) City of Crafts and Folk Arts designation last November, the bureau partnered with Lou Hammond and Associates, a public relations firm specializing in cultural designations, to "help us tell our story," Schaumburg said.

The bureau keeps track of data such as how many people request visitor guides and solicits comments from visitors from outside the region.

"For fiber artists, a trip to the quilt museum is like a baseball fan's trip to Cooperstown," Schaumburg said. "They will say, 'It's on our bucket list.' We hear that all the time."

Sandra Wilson, Paducah Area Chamber of Commerce president, hopes the ranking will serve as a reminder of the important role tourism plays in the local economy.

"I hope we can all encourage and welcome visitors when we see them," Wilson said.

Ken Hunt, chairman of the Paducah Economic Development board of directors, also sees positive impact the national publicity can have.

"It's a great accolade, and a good thing for the community," Hunt said, adding it should also be of interest to business prospects PED works with to encourage locating in the area.

"This is just another level of international recognition for Paducah," said Mayor Gayle Kaler. "It speaks of the hard work by Mary Hammond and the people at the convention and visitors bureau, and the territory they have worked for the creative city designation."

Paducah was not the only Kentucky city to be recognized. Lexington was listed at No. 24.

The article can be found at [travel.national-geographic.com/travel/special-features/traveler-50/?sf4274058=1](http://travel.national-geographic.com/travel/special-features/traveler-50/?sf4274058=1).

## Antibiotic-Resistant Superbug Invading Nation's Hospitals

By Laura Ungar  
The Courier-Journal

Dr. Forest Arnold worries about the growing menace of CRE — a deadly superbug that preys on hospitalized patients and kills about half who get bloodstream infections.

"We haven't seen much here, but I'm sure it's coming," said Arnold, an epidemiologist at University of Louisville Hospital and an associate professor of infectious diseases at U of L.

A study in the August issue of the journal Infection Control and Hospital Epidemiology shows cases of the antibiotic-resistant superbug rose fivefold in community hospitals in the Southeastern United States from 2008 to 2012.

Although the study didn't look at hospitals in Kentucky or Indiana, researchers at Duke University Medical Center said the rates reflect a growing problem across the region and throughout the country.

"People need to be aware," Arnold said. "It will eventually get here." And because Kentucky has a comparatively unhealthy population, with many patients suffering from multiple illnesses, "we have a lot of vulnerable people."

CRE, short for carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae, are a family of bacteria that have, over time, become resistant to last-resort antibiotics called carbapenems. CRE-related illnesses vary by where the germ infects the body and range from gastrointestinal illness to pneumonia to bloodstream infections.

"CRE is very dangerous. It is almost totally resistant to antibiotics," said Dr. Kevin Kavanagh, an infection-control activist who leads the Somerset, Ky.-based watchdog group Health Watch USA.

Kavanagh said Kentucky has one of the nation's highest rates of antibiotic use — and some of the time, those antibiotics are not necessary. Experts say overuse of antibiotics is one of the main factors driving the emergence and spread of superbugs.

Neither Kentucky nor the federal government tracks individual cases of CRE, but officials at local hospitals told The Courier-Journal last year that they've seen a grow-

ing number.

Nationally, the CDC issued warnings last year about CRE, saying the bacteria spread from one medical facility in 2001 to numerous facilities in 46 states in 2013. CDC Director Tom Frieden said, "Our strongest antibiotics don't work, and patients are left with potentially untreatable infections."

He has dubbed them "nightmare bacteria."

CRE are the worst in a growing sea of pernicious germs resistant to antibiotics that take hold in health care settings. According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, one in 25 hospitalized patients has at least one health care-associated infection on any given day.

Two of the more common superbugs are C. difficile, which is rising steeply and is linked to about 14,000 American deaths each year, and MRSA, which has been a problem in hospitals for decades. Researchers point to a recent decrease in invasive MRSA infections but estimate there were still more than 80,000 in 2011. MRSA has spread beyond hospitals into communities.

Doctors say they hope to control CRE before it becomes as common as MRSA.

Some of the superbugs creating problems in hospitals and long-term-care facilities:

- CRE — Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae can cause hard-

to-treat and untreatable infections. CRE germs are resistant to all or nearly all antibiotics. They are not common, but they kill half of patients who get bloodstream infections. Almost all infections occur in patients receiving serious medical care. The exact number of infections and deaths from CRE is unknown.

- MRSA — Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus is a staph infection that doesn't get better with first-line antibiotics. One study showed MRSA infections kill 18,000 Americans a year. A health care provider or visitors may have staph germs on their bodies that can spread to a patient. Serious staph infections are more common in people with a weakened immune system. MRSA infections can also occur in healthy people who have not recently been in the hospital, but most of these are on the skin.

- C. diff — Clostridium difficile causes diarrhea linked to 14,000 American deaths each year. Those most at risk are people, especially older adults, who take antibiotics and also get medical care. The bacteria are found in the feces, and people can become infected if they touch items contaminated with feces and then touch their mouth or mucous membranes. Health care workers can spread the bacteria to patients or contaminate surfaces through hand contact.



**RACHEL MORSE**, seventh grade student, takes her turn in the bucket brigade event at the Fun Night competitions Friday, Aug. 22, at the city park.

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ABOUT TOWN

By Scott

# One thing trumps 60th anniversary

Sixty years is a long time, but it's not nearly as long as it used to be. As my years near 60, that number of years seems less than it did when my years were cut in half. But for a state park, or any type of business, 60 years is a very long time and quite an achievement.

Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park observed its 60th anniversary over the Labor Day weekend with quite a celebration.

Since my earliest memories of Pennyrile center around the beach area, the beach bash on Saturday was something I would have enjoyed attending.

However, a certain little seven-month-old granddaughter was more important than any beach bash. Because of that, Saturday morning and early afternoon was spent in Nashville with that beautiful girl asleep in her Poppy's arms while her mother and father ran some errands.

We played and played before the nap, but it didn't take Clara long to fall asleep when her Nana took her outside on the porch and began swinging with her.

After their swing, Nana nestled her into my arms and we all three took a small cat nap.

We did return to Dawson Springs in time to be at Pennyrile for the night's anniversary activities.

My kindergarten teacher, Rita Grace Ridley, couldn't attend, but she did send some remembrances via a phone call with Jenny Sewell.

Miss Rita, as I've always called her, was the dining room hostess at Pennyrile for many years during the 1950s and '60s. She recalled the state park managers then were Richard and Katherine Bailey. Mrs. Bailey was known by all the employees to be stern, and she demanded a good work ethic, but every now and then her compassionate side would show.

Miss Rita remembered the time Mrs. Bailey wanted to make sure a camping fee was paid. But when the camper, a wounded and crippled soldier, showed up to pay, Mrs. Bailey, with a tear in her eye, told the camper that he did not have to pay this time.

During the late '60s and '70s, Katherine Wise served as the business manager at the park. At almost 93 years old, Mrs. Wise shared some of her memories of Pennyrile during Saturday's event.

She said each October the park was besieged with snakes. One time, two copperhead snakes were in the doorway of the lobby, and although she couldn't stand the thought of snakes, she knew something had to be done about them. One at a time she used a broom to whisk the snakes out of the lobby where two rather mad snakes were now under the back steps.

She then called Mr. Bailey and told him about the snakes. When he found them by the steps, the snakes "did all they could to try and bite him."

One of Mrs. Wise's favorite park memories was when it was the fall of the year and employees would gather around the fireplace, eat popcorn and talk about the good old days.

Former park manager June Hudson, who served at Pennyrile twice, remembered the park as "a little bit of heaven on earth."

Hudson said between her stints as park manager she was appointed commissioner of state parks, and she did everything she could to direct money to the local park. It was during this time the Glover Meeting Room was built.

Bob Wise spoke of the history of the state forest and the time leading up to 1954 and the official opening of the state park.

The area was identified as a work project for WPA (Works Progress Administration) and CCC (Civil Conservation Corps) due to the severe poverty levels in the area. The federal government, through the Department of Agriculture, purchased the farms that now make up the Pennyrile State Forest. The former land owners were then offered jobs to help put the forest together.

These jobs involved stabilizing the land, filling in washed out gullies and planting trees.

The next project was to build the lake for flood control and build the surrounding recreational areas including the beach area and bathhouse.

Around 1946 Pennyrile State Park was carved out of the state forest which was now approximately 14,000 acres. The state park consisted of 450 acres with the lake being about 60 acres.

The first professional forester hired to manage the forest after the state took ownership from the Department of Agriculture was Jack Rhody. The first technicians hired were Red Fletcher and Clyde Holt.

Dudley Riley told the crowd that his father was one of the land owners who sold their farms to create the forest. He said there were about five small communities in the area and that each had a church, a school and a cemetery.

He reported his dad sold 500 acres of land for \$2,100 which he used to buy land near the Tradewater River. His father was then forced to sell that land when the federal government built Outwood. His father then moved to the White School area, and that land was eventually sold in order to build the West Kentucky Parkway.

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# Commentary... Kentucky needs a new story

By Jim Waters

Jamestown now stands face to face with the impact of Fruit of the Loom's announcement in April that its Russell County plant is closing, which will cost the county one-third of its manufacturing jobs and hit its budget hard.

Judge-Executive Gary Robertson told me the factory's closing will shrink annual tax revenues by nearly \$200,000. The county will plug that gap this year by not filling a vacant road-department position, forgoing a 1.5 percent raise for employees and using \$130,000 in additional funds.

"Fortunately, this year we already had our budget in place, but next year it will be a different story," Robertson said.

When will Kentucky's story change?

Ironically, while I was in Jamestown talking to a community devastated by Fruit of the Loom's closure, Gov. Steve Beshear tweeted: "#Kentucky jumps 45 spots, now ranks 4th in the nation for having a strong entrepreneurial climate."

While I understand the need for leaders to offer up some good news, reasonable citizens should be suspicious of an index produced by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in which a state with the nation's fifth-highest unemployment rate, a \$34.7 billion unfunded public-pension liability and an entire coal industry under siege jumps – in a single year – from having one of the nation's worst entrepreneurial climates to being in the nation's top five.

The index labeled its categories: "establishment growth, establishment growth per capita, business formation rates, patents per 1,000

people and income levels for non-farm proprietors."

What about "income levels" for those who work for the "proprietors?"

What kind of index would matter most to those losing their jobs by the thousands in the commonwealth's manufacturing and coal industries?

It would include categories that hard-working Kentuckians understand: employment growth, income growth and population growth, which grew between 1990 and 2011 in right-to-work states by 42.6 percent, 209.3 percent and 39.8 percent, respectively.

These figures come – not from some Nebraska university that included California and New York along with Kentucky as being among the nation's best entrepreneurial climates in its latest index – but rather from the U.S. Census Bureau and the Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Go to Jamestown and you will discover that when it comes to finding a job that will support a family and future, it's not about politics but rather the policies – including a right-to-work law – which local leaders believe will attract new companies, better jobs and fatter paychecks.

"This should not be a political or party-line issue," said Robertson, a Democrat, who believes a right-to-work law could help his community attract industries from other states.

"This should be about what's best for our fellow Kentuckians, who are looking for – and will take advantage of – opportuni-



JIM WATERS

ties when they have them," he said. "(A right-to-work law) could help us get more people working locally for good money rather than having to leave and try and find jobs elsewhere."

A substantial amount of mail I've received during this series of right-to-work columns includes complaints that federal law allowing non-union members to benefit from union representation is a major obstacle to gaining support for a right-to-work law in Kentucky.

But keep in mind that it was labor unions themselves which originally had the most influence over the crafting of federal labor laws, and yet now want to offer the perception that those same laws "force" them into representing non-dues-paying members.

If labor-union bosses really wanted to change the law and allow each individual worker the freedom to accept the risk of representing themselves even in a union shop – don't believe for one second that they couldn't get it done posthaste.

However, Kentucky – like 24 other states have already realized – cannot wait.

Fruit of the Loom will be completely closed down by the end of this year. Don't its fine workers deserve the right to work for good wages in a growing state now?

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## Other editors

## Revise, but don't cut standards

Kentucky Education Commissioner Terry Holliday announced earlier this year that critics of Common Core Standards would get their chance to suggest ways to improve how the standards are used in the state's public schools. He also said the criticism would have to be constructive. In other words, he wants to hear specific ideas for revising instruction.

That time has come.

"We're going to challenge Kentuckians to read the standards," Holliday said this week in an announcement about the Kentucky Core Academic Standards Challenge. "It's time to start looking at the standards and tweaking them based on feedback."

Although it might appear state education officials are reacting to controversy over Common Core, Holliday said this review is not a referendum of the national standards. The purpose of the review is to raise awareness, he said.

"It's a process that I hope will change the conversation," Holliday said.

Maybe so. But one look at the website created for this public comment process reveals that a person must be motivated and knowledgeable to comment on English and math instruction in kindergarten through 12th grade.

The website, at [www.kentucky.state.statestandards.org](http://www.kentucky.state.statestandards.org), allows participants to give a thumbs up or thumbs down on certain components of the Kentucky standards, which sounds like an oversimplification for reviewing practices in education.

We'd rather leave the detail work to the professional educators, but anyone who is willing and able to dive into this process can do so.

Perhaps Holliday deserves the benefit of the doubt here. If this process helps Kentuckians better understand Common Core, then his point will be made.

Meanwhile, though, Kentucky should not lose sight of what's at stake. Common Core has been inaccurately described as a federal takeover of public education. It is not. It is a national measure that establishes the skills students should learn at each grade level. States are responsible for creating the assessments that measure the Common Core stan-

dards.

There is some pressure to dismantle Common Core, but there is also support, across the political spectrum, for the standards. It would be a mistake to abandon Common Core in Kentucky.

In April, when Holliday first spoke about plans for the standards reviews and a role for the public, he said, "I have yet for any critic to say, 'I don't like that standard and here's why, and here's how you need to revise it.'"

He's right. Much of the criticism comes from people who have not taken the time to learn what Common Core can do for American students.

The standards challenge website will remain up until April 30. Take a look and see what Common Core means in Kentucky.

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**SPECTATORS at the Tradewater Fitness Challenge Saturday, Aug. 30, are members of the Lanham family (from left) Amber Lanham, Addi Jo Lanham, JoAnn Lanham, Kennedy Lanham, Cindy Allen, and Billy Lanham.**

photo by Sheldon Mitchell

# Board Votes To Keep Same Tax

—Continued from front page

Whalen said he and treasurer Jenny Bruce have had numerous discussions about budget matters, and he praised her expertise.

“I appreciate her knowledge of where we’ve been financially,” he said. “I believe in her.”

Board chairman Earl Menser noted that he would like to continue to focus on cost improvement and also said he hopes the sale of the Buckhorn building will ultimately help the school system as well as the city.

During regular ses-

sion, the board officially set the 2014-2015 tax rates at 67.9 cents on real and personal property, 68.7 cents on motor vehicles, watercraft and personal aircraft and a 3 percent utility tax.

Vicki Allen made the motion to approve which was seconded by Tracy Overby. The motion passed 4 to 0. Cliff Key was not present for the vote.

The board also unanimously approved an overnight trip to Somerset Sept. 5 and 6 for Schyuler Storms and golf coach Jeff Miller. Storms will participate in the All “A” Classic State Golf Tournament.

# Smoking Bans Still Being Obeyed After Being Struck Down

—Continued from front page

decision for the unincorporated area of the county, County Attorney Alan George said, “because the bulk of the affected business is in the city.”

Midway passed a new anti-smoking ordinance Aug. 18 and Versailles plans to hold its first reading on one Sept. 2.

Madison County plans second reading and passage of its smoking ordinance for Sept. 9. Berea is scheduled to do likewise Sept. 2.

Clark County has “no forward actions” or “no ordinance drafted” at this time, Lockard said. Asked if officials are waiting on the Nov. 4 election to move forward,

he said that “no one had come out and said the election will play a role,” but he noted that the Winchester mayor and the county judge-executive have opponents.

The Supreme Court ruling was a great disappointment to smoke-free advocates. Betsy Janes, coordinator for Smoke Free Kentucky, said several health boards had been ready to implement smoke-free regulations, but were waiting on the Supreme Court. These plans obviously have had to change.

“It was a major blow, but the good thing is that it is very clear who has the authority to do this now,” Janes said. “Fifty-five percent of Kentuck-

ians want to be smoke free. We are losing 1000 Kentuckians a year to second hand smoke,” based on research that has determined its effects.

While Hahn said the decision was a “step backwards for Kentucky,” she also said her center is “busier than ever” working with fiscal courts to create smoke-free laws on the local level. She said there are 35 city or county ordinances in effect, covering 31 percent of Kentuckians.

The Kentucky Chamber of Commerce supports statewide smoking ban, which has never come to a vote in either chamber of the legislature.

“Twenty-four other states have statewide smoke-free

laws, and we want to not be the last to join them,” said Ashli Watts, the chamber’s public-affairs manager.

While Clark County is not pursuing a smoke-free ordinance now, the health department is actively educating the public about the benefits of such laws and plans to be a strong advocate to get something passed, Lockard said.

“We are finding overwhelming positive response to smoke-free,” he said. “The Board of Health and health department will work in any way possible to get a law on the books.”

Lockard also voiced his hope that school boards will pass smoke-free policies in

schools, which he said should be attainable because no legislation is needed.

“There are 174 school districts in Kentucky and fewer than 40 of them have smoke-free policies on their campuses,” Lockard said. “If we could have all schools smoke-free, that would have a major impact on our communities.”

Lockard reflected on what Tom Frieden, director of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said in his recent visit to Kentucky, that the most important changes Kentuckians need to make to improve their health are to stop smoking, decrease secondhand smoke exposure, and to exercise.

# Juvenile Justice System Revamped

State and local leaders joined with Gov. Steve Beshear Aug. 28 to ceremonially sign legislation that revamps Kentucky’s juvenile justice system by steering more young offenders into community-based treatment instead of locking them up in detention centers.

Senate Bill 200 calls for early intervention programs and an enhanced pre-court process for youth who are habitual runaways or engage in certain non-violent acts, such as truancy. Under the new law, before cases are referred to the county attorney, court designated workers will use evidence-based tools to screen and assess youth and make referrals for appropriate services. The reforms are expected to reduce the number of status and public offenders entering the court system.

“Senate Bill 200 represents an important first step in addressing juvenile justice reform in our commonwealth, and gives us the opportunity to address the underlying issues that are often the cause of young people acting out,” Beshear

said. “The result is less crime, smarter spending, and better outcomes for Kentucky’s most troubled kids.”

The bill limits the commitment of certain lower-level offenders and how long they may be placed out of home, reserving longer placement in expensive out-of-home facilities for more serious offenders.

The bill also establishes an oversight council, which will monitor the effectiveness of the policies and make recommendations based on the findings. And it directs that any savings achieved from the reforms be reinvested into a fiscal incentive program for local evidence-based prevention programs.

The measure is the result of work by the bipartisan Unified Juvenile Code Task Force with assistance from the Pew Charitable Trusts. The task force met for two years with juvenile justice and social service workers, court officials, school officials and other stakeholders.

“In order to give hope to struggling kids and families, Senate Bill 200

brought together both parties and all three government branches in order to reform the juvenile justice system in an unprecedented way,” said Sen. Whitney West-erfield, of Hopkinsville, the bill’s sponsor. “Now a nationwide legislative model, SB 200 achieves better outcomes for Kentucky’s youth, strengthens the role of the family, and gets a better return on the taxpayer’s investment. We all should be proud of this effort.”

Senate Bill 200 seeks to improve the overall effectiveness of Kentucky’s juvenile justice system.

“This Senate Bill will transform DJJ into a data driven system which will advance positive youth outcomes and enhance public safety,” said Bob Hayter, acting commissioner for the Department of Juvenile Justice. “The bill places a greater emphasis on evidenced-based practices and deeper family involvement, resulting in a triumph for Kentucky’s youth and our communities.”

Most reforms will take effect in the summer of 2015.



**CLAY TRAVIS (top) participated in the bike race portion of the Tradewater Fitness Challenge Saturday, Aug. 30, while (below) Casey LaGrange and her daughter Camryn paddle a canoe down the Tradewater River.**

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# Pretty Work; Kentucky and Western Kentucky shine in season openers

With college football for context, curious thing the rant of studio talking-head experts, so logical at front end of a weekend, but hard to recognize by Armchair Quarterback meeting on Monday.

South Carolina was a two touchdown favorite against visiting Texas A&M and the Aggies gave the Spurriers a good whuppin'. Closer to home, MAC champion Bowling Green would spank Western Kentucky, they said.

Hmmm. Here, in Kentucky ... appropriate way to describe what Western Kentucky did to Bowling Green on Friday, and Kentucky to Tennessee-Martin a day later; two words might do. *Pretty Work*.

In Lexington roughly 8,000 no-shows skipped the turkey shoot, but missed a Show while 50,000-plus Big Blues and Kentucky coach Mark Stoops were aglow after the 59-14 shelling in what we will call the Schedule-Maker Bowl.

Asked to assess his quarterback Patrick Towles's debut, Stoops kept to his credo, keep it simple. "I liked his poise and decision-making."

Indeed. No sign of the shakes Towles was crisp and in charge as he should be against a lightweight foe, start to finish — 20 passes complete on 29 throws, 377 yards, no interceptions.

Most striking items about Kentucky's debut?

1. All new people. "Who *are* these guys?" someone said.
2. Speed.
3. And a nice little OVC middle-of-the-pack team to break in the training wheels. (They come off for Game 3).
4. Did I mention, speed?

"They were really fast," UT-Martin QB Jarod Neal



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understated. "They were faster than our guys and when they needed to make a play, they made the play. They played sound."

- Efficiency? This side of grey beards like me, who can recall a season opening show by Kentucky that projected as much promise than this one?
- Offense? Five touchdowns from half dozen new Wildcats. Returnee JoJo Kemp had another.
- Defense. Secondary newcomers E.J. Stamps and Kendall Randolph showed flashes of SEC level speed, savvy and aggression glaringly absent in Lexington for more than half a decade.

NEXT. Kentucky is a 10-points-plus favorite this week against visiting Ohio University (1-0). A win, whatever the spread, is relevant only if it becomes a game tape to add to efficiency, reduce six penalties and repeat zero turnovers.

Big Blue faithful know the real story here. As calendar turns to September, Kentucky's real season opener comes next week in Gainesville.

Sept. 13 in The Swamp is far enough off to repeat and refine the *Pretty Work*.

## Western Kentucky

Arguably the most impressive items come from Jeff Brohm's first edition Hilltoppers were preparation, poise, (really fast!) pace and production. 59-31.

Western was to Bowling Green what classic Muhammad Ali was to Sonny Liston 50 years ago. Addle him early and be relentless until he surrenders. The Hilltoppers scored 14-or-more points in each quarter.

Quarterback Brandon Doughty was more stand-and-delivery Peyton Manning than a Johnny Football. Of Western's 97 offensive snaps Doughty threw 56 times, completed 46 for a school record 569 yards. No interceptions. By any measure, incredible.

And so, a (strategic) near flawless gem for

Hilltoppers fans and new coach Jeff Brohm to munch on this week. New flawless because the defense surrendered 31 points.

Strategic because the flag momentum has run up the WKU pole this week. Next comes a brag rights and recruiting game signature win chance at Illinois. And a chance at redemption for Doughty. A year ago, on heels of a smartly executed win over Kentucky, WKU went to Knoxville and Doughty had a veritable nervous breakdown against an ordinary Tennessee. The Vols intercepted Doughty five times, scored 24 points in first quarter and won 52-20.

In Champaigne-Urbana this Saturday, he will remember.

Meanwhile, the Hilltoppers's defense has *Pretty Work* to do.

## College hoops

In a bit of industrious thinking an Internet writer posed a list last week called 10 reasons We Can't wait for the College Basketball season to Begin.

The idea was better than the reasons. Two with merit:

✓ See if Duke can beat Kentucky at its own game (one-and-dones).

Mike Krzyzewski could start and title compete with four freshmen — Jahlil Okafor, Tyus Jones, Justise Winslow and Grayson Allen.

For local consumption, I would add these ...

✓ Will Diddle Arena have back-to-back-to back sellouts with Hilltoppers in a new league? What impact will Ray Harper's Western Kentucky team have in Conference USA?

✓ Bellarmine. Will Scott Davenport have pieces to put together for another national title run?

✓ Auburn.

And so it goes.

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# Blue Water Trails – West Fork of Drakes Creek

By **LEE MCCLELLAN**  
Kentucky Afield Outdoors

Study of the Kentucky border in Simpson County reveals a funny-looking half triangle just south of Franklin.

A surveying party in the fall of 1780 used a marked beech tree along the West Fork of Drakes Creek as a point of reference, but wandered decidedly off course to the south.

Dr. Thomas Walker, commissioned to draw the boundary between the far western sections of North Carolina and Virginia before the creation of Kentucky and Tennessee, discovered the error. The surveyors simply worked back north to the original line rather than correct the mistake.

The survey team marked a blackjack oak at the apex of this jog. The border anomaly is still called "Blackjack Corner."

The West Fork of Drakes Creek drains Blackjack Corner and a good portion of Simpson County. It offers excellent fishing for smallmouth, largemouth and rock bass along with populations of bluegill and even some muskellunge.

The Warren County Blueways website at [www.trailsrus.com/blueways](http://www.trailsrus.com/blueways) provides information on floating the streams of the Drakes Creek system.

As days shorten and nights lengthen in September, the topwater bite for stream smallmouth bass comes on strong. Bone or chrome-colored cigar-shaped topwater lures designed for the walk-the-dog retrieve excel in September for smallmouth bass. Floating and diving lures such as a Rapala also shine in early fall as do 1/8-ounce black Jitterbugs during low light periods.

Three floats showcase the beauty of the upper Highland Rim in Simpson County, two of them manageable and perfect for fishing while the other much longer and suited more toward a straight paddle during the higher flows of spring. The first of the fishing floats begins at the Sadler Ford Road bridge access (also known as Clay Starks Road) and concludes roughly 5½ miles downstream at the Woody Atkinson Road bridge access (also known as Barnes School Road). Look for the sign for Berrylicious Orchards on KY 240 for Sadler Ford Road. Be sure to observe the posted signs concerning parking at both of these access spots and respect the posted private property.

The first bend to the left (looking downstream) of this float reveals the gorgeous exposed rock and gorge-like setting on the lower sections of West Fork of Drakes Creek.

The creek makes several sharp bends in the first bit of this float, perfect places to work a green pumpkin double-tailed skirted grub, commonly called a hula grub, rigged on a 1/8-ounce leadhead. After a hard left bend a little more than a mile into this float, the West Fork flows straight to the north for a stretch.

The creek then enters into a series of bends with some exposed rock. This stretch makes the best smallmouth bass habitat on this float. The rocky outside bends should be probed with the double-skirted grub and topwater lures.

Anglers should also target the flowing areas just above and below rock bars in this stretch for smallmouth bass. A 2-inch black curly-tailed grub worked in the slack water below these bars draws strikes from rock bass.

The roar of commerce moving on I-65 soon surrounds paddlers as the West Fork flows underneath.

Just after I-65, the creek bends to the right and soon back to the left. These bends also make good spots to prospect for smallmouth bass. After the last bend to the left, the creek flows over a shallow bar and drops into a long, tranquil hole.

At normal flows, the take-out at the low water bridge of Woody Atkinson Road comes into view. This style of bridge, called a slab in some parts of the country, allows water to flow through drainage culverts under the surface of the structure. Paddlers must avoid these culverts at all costs; the best take-out is on the left.

The next float begins at the Woody Atkinson Road access and ends about 4½ miles downstream at the KY 622 access (Plano Road) in Warren County. The shuttle for this float is to the north, via KY 240.

The West Fork bends to the left at the beginning of

## Kentucky Afield



KENTUCKY AFIELD PHOTO

**This is the West Fork of Drakes Creek downstream of the Sadler Ford Road bridge access. This gorgeous stream flows through Simpson and Warren counties in southern Kentucky and provides excellent fishing for smallmouth bass.**

this float before flowing back to the right and entering a more entrenched stretch with some tan-colored small bluffs. Anglers should work the outside rocky bends for smallmouth bass in this section.

The stream is relatively straight before flowing in an "S" shape. The fallen trees in the deeper holes in this stretch hold largemouth and spotted bass. The weightless soft plastic jerkbait works well here. The deep hole formed as the creek flows back to the right against a high bank may hold muskellunge.

The creek flows serenely for a good ways before making a series of bends with some gorgeous exposed rock. The 3/16-ounce skirted double-tailed grub worked slowly along the outside bends with current attracts smallmouths. This stretch contains several deeper holes that hold largemouth and spotted bass.

After making a long bend to the left, the West Fork makes a hard bend right and the KY 622 Bridge comes into view. The take-out is on the left, immediately downstream of the bridge. Warren County Parks and Recreation provides a small parking area on the north side of this bridge that parallels the road. Do not block private driveways or farm gates while using this access.

The next float begins near Franklin at the low water bridge on Ditmore Ford Road and concludes about 10 miles downstream at the Sadler Ford Road access. Paddlers may also launch upstream at the Franklin-Simpson Parks and Recreation Park in Franklin, but this requires an arduous portage around the low water bridge at Ditmore Ford Road. The park does provide wading access to the creek.

Fisheries personnel with Kentucky Fish and Wildlife recommend this float for spring to early sum-

mer when West Fork is flowing considerably higher than fall. They say the best fishing and year-round paddling is from Sadler Ford Road access downstream.

Paddlers should plan for considerable dragging and carrying of boats through the many long, shallow stretches found at this time of year on this float. It better suits straight paddling and its length leaves little time in fall for fishing. Paddlers should put in early and plan to take out late.

The two bridges at KY 1171 (Blackjack Road) and KY 1434 (Salmons-Blackjack Road) encountered on this float are not public access spots.

According to local lore, Duncan is responsible for Blackjack Corner by plying the surveyors with whiskey to convince them to keep his land north of the border, thus creating the unusual jog.

Simpson County is also home to the famous Octagon Hall, the only eight-sided house in Kentucky and now a museum. This historic home served as a refuge for Confederate soldiers during the Civil War and is rumored to be haunted as well.

The Blue Water Trails series supports Gov. Steve Beshear's Adventure Tourism Initiative. Log on to Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's Blue Water Trails webpage at [fw.ky.gov](http://fw.ky.gov) for a detailed map.

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A WEEKLY SPIN AROUND THE WORLD OF RACING

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## NUMBERS GAME

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Tony Stewart's return to racing after a three-week layoff lasted only 170 laps. Having qualified 12th at Atlanta Motor Speedway, Stewart quickly made his way into the top 10, reaching as high as fourth. However, he tangled with Kyle Busch before the race hit the 100-lap mark and later blew a tire and hit the wall. He retired after the second incident and finishes 41st.



On the Friday prior to the Atlanta event, Stewart addressed the media for the first time since being involved in an accident that killed sprint car driver Kevin Ward Jr. on Aug. 9.

"I've taken the last couple of weeks off out of respect for Kevin and his family and also to cope with the accident in my own way," said an emotional Stewart. "It's given me the time to think about life and how easy it is to take it for granted. I miss my team, my teammates and I miss being back in the race car, and I think being back in the car this week with my racing family will help me get through this difficult time."

On the same day, NASCAR president Mike Helton announced that the sanctioning body would grant Stewart an exemption into the Chase — despite missing the three races — were he to win at either Atlanta or Richmond.

## SPRINT CUP STANDINGS

DRIVER (WINS)	POINTS	BEHIND
1. Jeff Gordon (3)	872	—
2. Dale Earnhardt Jr. (3)	851	-21
3. Matt Kenseth	794	-78
4. Joey Logano (3)	791	-81
5. Brad Keselowski (3)	782	-90
6. Jimmie Johnson (3)	766	-106
7. Carl Edwards (2)	755	-117
8. Kevin Harvick (2)	748	-124
9. Ryan Newman	747	-125
10. Greg Biffle	728	-144
11. Kasey Kahne (1)	708	-164
12. Clint Bowyer	705	-167
13. Kyle Larson	704	-168
14. Paul Menard	675	-197
15. Austin Dillon	674	-198
16. Jamie McMurray	666	-206
17. Kyle Busch (1)	657	-215
18. Brian Vickers	650	-222
19. Denny Hamlin (1)	636	-236
20. Marcos Ambrose	628	-244

## NATIONWIDE STANDINGS

DRIVER (WINS)	POINTS	BEHIND
1. Chase Elliott (3)	874	—
2. Regan Smith (1)	859	-15
3. Ty Dillon (1)	839	-35
4. Elliott Sadler (1)	826	-48
5. Brian Scott	820	-54
6. Trevor Bayne	803	-71
7. Chris Buescher (1)	713	-161
8. Brendan Gaughan (1)	694	-180
9. Ryan Reed	658	-216
10. James Buescher	646	-228

## TRUCK STANDINGS

DRIVER (WINS)	POINTS	BEHIND
1. Johnny Sauter (1)	524	—
2. Matt Crafton (2)	517	-7
3. Ryan Blaney (1)	511	-13
4. Darrell Wallace Jr. (2)	486	-38
5. German Quiroga Jr.	476	-48
6. Ron Hornaday Jr.	460	-64
7. Joey Coulter	456	-68
8. Timothy Peters	448	-76
9. Ben Kennedy	441	-83
10. Jeb Burton	420	-104



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## ATLANTA



Kasey Kahne celebrates his win at Atlanta Motor Speedway in the Oral-B USA 500.

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# KAHNE IS CLUTCH IN ATLANTA

## Kasey Kahne wins in Atlanta, punches Chase ticket

Stewart-Haas Racing's Kevin Harvick had the field covered on-track at the 1.54-mile Atlanta Motor Speedway on Sunday night; Joe Gibbs Racing's Denny Hamlin and Matt Kenseth had it covered on pit road. But at the end of a grueling 335-lap affair, it was Hendrick Motorsports' Kasey Kahne who walked away with the hardware — and a coveted spot in NASCAR's Chase for the Sprint Cup.

Kahne capitalized on a frantic final 12 laps in the Oral-B USA 500 to notch his first win of the 2014 season, and in the process assured that each of Hendrick Motorsports' four teams would be represented in NASCAR's 10-race playoff that begins in two weeks.

"I told a couple friends this week, 'I have to win. I have to win Sunday night,'" said Kahne, who now owns 17 career Cup wins — 10 of which have come on NASCAR's 1.5- and 2-mile intermediate tracks. "It was all that I could think about. I knew Atlanta was a better opportunity for myself to win at than Richmond."

"I just knew that tonight we needed it. When I came off Turn 4 and I could see the checkered, right there is the first time I knew I was in the Chase and it's such a relief. I have the best teammates and (team owner Rick Hendrick) gives us everything that we need."

As with most of the intermediate tracks, being up front and in clean air was the order of the day. Harvick paced the field for 195 laps but was continuously beaten off pit road by JGR rivals Hamlin and Kenseth.

"We lost control every time we came to pit road tonight," Harvick said. "I thought we had that (problem) better, but we got just absolutely murdered on pit road every time we came down by the 11 (Hamlin) and the 20 (Kenseth)."

Throughout the evening, Harvick was able to drive around his opponents within five laps of a restart, but the spots lost on pit road finally took their toll after a round of yellow-flag stops with 27 laps remaining. It was on the ensuing restart that Kahne took the lead,

kept Harvick in his rearview mirror and appeared headed to victory lane. However, a caution with a pair of laps remaining sent the race into the first of two green-white-checker finishes.

In the first, Harvick lined up fourth and found his No. 4 Chevrolet playing bumper cars with Paul Menard and Joey Logano, then into the wall, before the field hit Turn 1. His shot at win No. 3 on the season had taken its conclusive blow.

On the second green-white-checker restart, Kahne, on four fresh tires, once again pounced from his inside-lane, third-place position, blowing by Hamlin and finally disposing of Kenseth at the white flag. He methodically clicked off the final lap, winning by .574 seconds.

Kenseth, Hamlin, Jimmie Johnson and Carl Edwards rounded out the top 5.

"Man, they just go," Kenseth said of Kahne's HMS engine. "I just don't know how to defend that. We did everything we could — it was a great call by Jason (Ratliff, crew chief), great pit stops that put us in position to win — I just couldn't hold on."

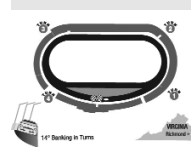
Despite not having won a race this season — after a sterling eight-win campaign in 2013 — Kenseth sits third in the Cup standings and locked his team in the playoffs by virtue of points with the Atlanta performance. In NASCAR's reformatted Chase, the top 16 drivers with wins are slotted into the playoffs. In the absence of 16 winners, the highest ranked teams in the standings complete the card. Kahne was the 13th driver to score a win through 25 of 26 regular-season races.

Ryan Newman, ninth in the standings with a 42-point cushion, will likely claim the 15th spot, leaving a one-race showdown for the final position. Greg Biffle (+23 points), Clint Bowyer (-23) and rookie Kyle Larson (-24) are set to stage a three-car battle at Richmond International Raceway on Saturday for the final Chase berth. Paul Menard (-53) and Austin Dillon (-54) most assuredly would have to win the regular-season finale to leapfrog their competitors and sneak into the playoffs.



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## TRACKS ON TAP



## RICHMOND INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY

2014 Race Length: 300 miles/400 laps • Track Qualifying Record: 130.599 mph (Jeff Gordon, 2013) • Race Record: 109.047 mph (Dale Jarrett, 1997)

### TOP 10 ACTIVE DRIVERS

	Starts	Avg. Fin.	Wins	Top 5s	Top 10s	Laps/Laps Led	Poles	Avg. Start	DNF
1. Kyle Busch	19	7.0	4	13	14	7,615/931	1	12.8	0
2. Denny Hamlin	16	9.8	2	7	9	6,404/1,390	2	10.5	0
3. Tony Stewart	30	11.1	3	11	19	11,826/950	0	17.9	2
4. Kevin Harvick	27	11.3	3	7	16	10,692/968	1	16.1	0
5. Ryan Newman	25	11.3	1	6	15	9,888/454	1	12.2	0
6. Clint Bowyer	17	12.0	2	3	9	6,572/348	0	12.4	1
7. Dale Earnhardt Jr.	30	13.5	3	9	13	11,913/501	1	15.8	1
8. Carl Edwards	20	13.5	1	4	11	7,793/488	1	13.4	1
9. Jeff Gordon	43	13.9	2	17	27	16,062/1,637	6	8.0	7
10. Matt Kenseth	29	15.4	1	5	13	11,364/403	1	20.0	1

### SPRINT CUP SERIES

**Race:** Federated Auto Parts 400  
**Track:** Richmond Int. Raceway  
**Location:** Richmond, Va.  
**Date:** Saturday, Sept. 6  
**TV:** ABC (6:30 p.m.)

**Track Qualifying Record:** 130.599 mph (Jeff Gordon, 2013)  
**Race Record:** 109.047 mph (Dale Jarrett, 1997)  
**April 2014 Winner:** Joey Logano



### NATIONWIDE SERIES

**Race:** Virginia 529 College Savings 250  
**Track:** Richmond Int. Raceway  
**Date:** Friday, Sept. 5  
**TV:** ESPN2 (6:30 p.m.)  
**April 2014 Winner:** Kevin Harvick

### CAMPING WORLD TRUCK SERIES

**Race:** Lucas Oil 225  
**Track:** Chicagoland Speedway  
**Location:** Joliet, Ill.  
**Date:** Friday, Sept. 12  
**TV:** FOX Sports 1 (7:30 p.m.)  
**2013 Winner:** Kyle Busch

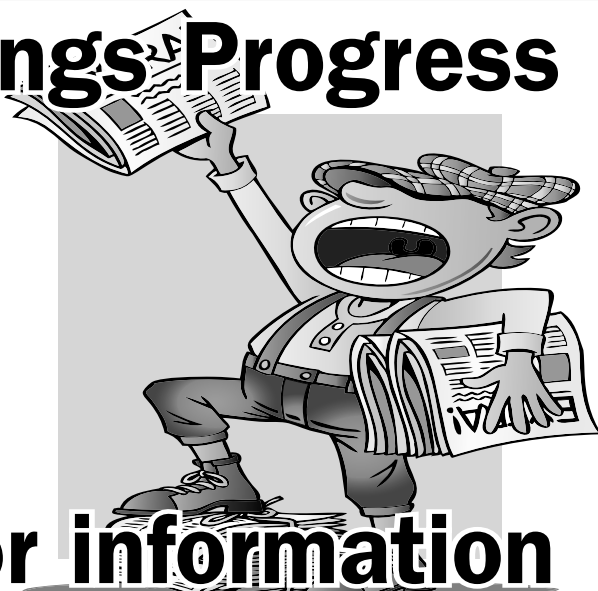
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RUNNERS participating in the 2014 Tradewater River Fitness Challenge on Saturday, Aug. 30, head up Old Hospital Road from Tradewater Station on the first leg

of the challenge. The second leg was kayaking along the Tradewater River and the final leg was bicycling. Brandon Shoulders (left) won the event

# Tradewater Fitness Challenge Held Saturday



**CRISCILLA TYLER** was the top female finisher.

A total of 36 individuals, 19 females and 17 males, participated in Saturday's Tradewater River Fitness Challenge.

The challenge is a combination of three endurance events: running, kayaking and bicycling.

Participants began with a run from approximately Tradewater Station at Ky. 109 on the old hospital road to Ky. 109 and back. When the runners returned to Tradewater Station, they began the second leg by kayaking down the Tradewater River to Riverside Park. When they exited the kayaks, the bicycle portion of the event began with a ride from that point to Ky. 109 south to Hopkins Park Road, along Collins Bridge Road, then back to 109 to the finish line at Tradewater Station.

Brandon Shoulders was the overall winner with a time of 1:39:29. Second place was Jason Lanham in 1:49:06.

The next finisher was the first female, Criscilla Tyler with a time of 1:51:36.

Alan Black was the third place male with a time of 1:53:06.

Finishing second and third in the female division were Leslie Craft in 2:09:42 and Michelle Collins in 2:20:17.

Other men participating were: Clay Travis, Marc Namie, Billy Joe Parker, William Jackson, Gary Collins, Andrew Erkfitz, Jim Hillerich, Mike Young, Shaun Noffsinger, Jeff Grundy, Clark Towery, Josh Morgan, Donnie Mills and Ray Austin.

The other women participating were: Casey Stahl, Dawn Ensner, Rebecca Johnson, Diane Moats, Mason Towery, Lindsey Morgan, Ann Newcom, Misty Roberts, Megan Roberts, Serena Dickerson, Carrie Flahardy, Camryn LaGrange, Casey LaGrange, Sasha Fight, Cissy Wanchic and Jenni Shemwell.



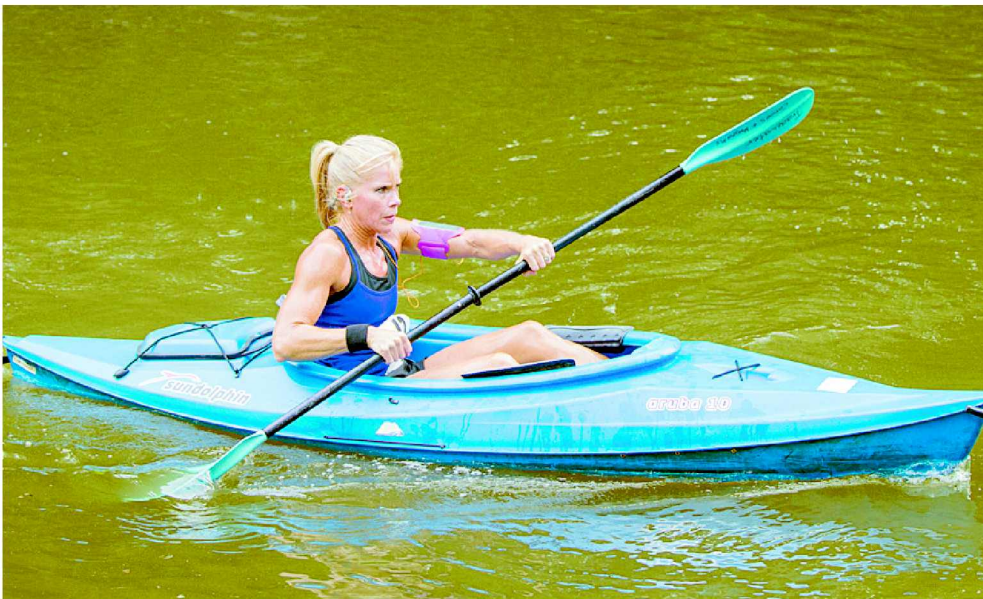
**BRANDON SHOULDERS** crosses the finish line first.



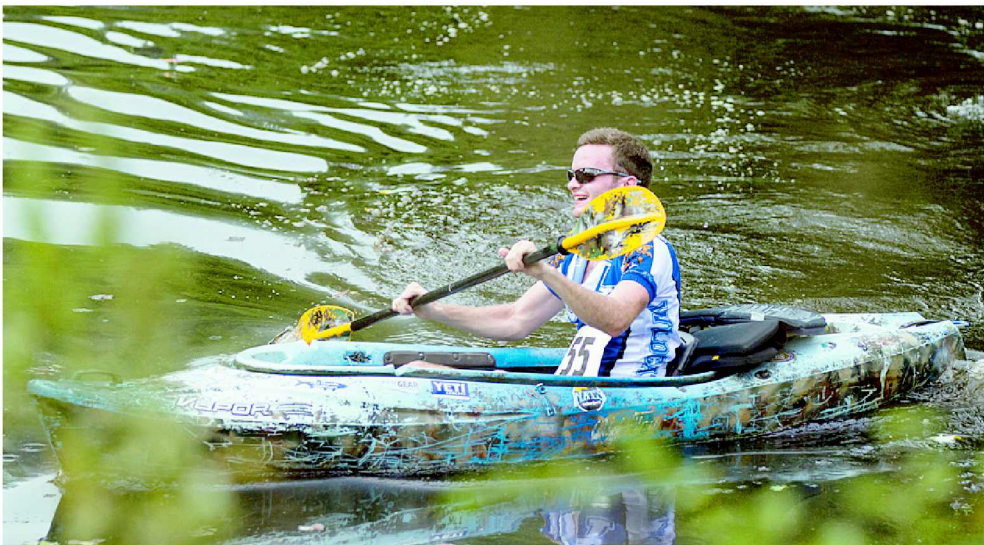
**LESLIE CRAFT** was the second female to finish.



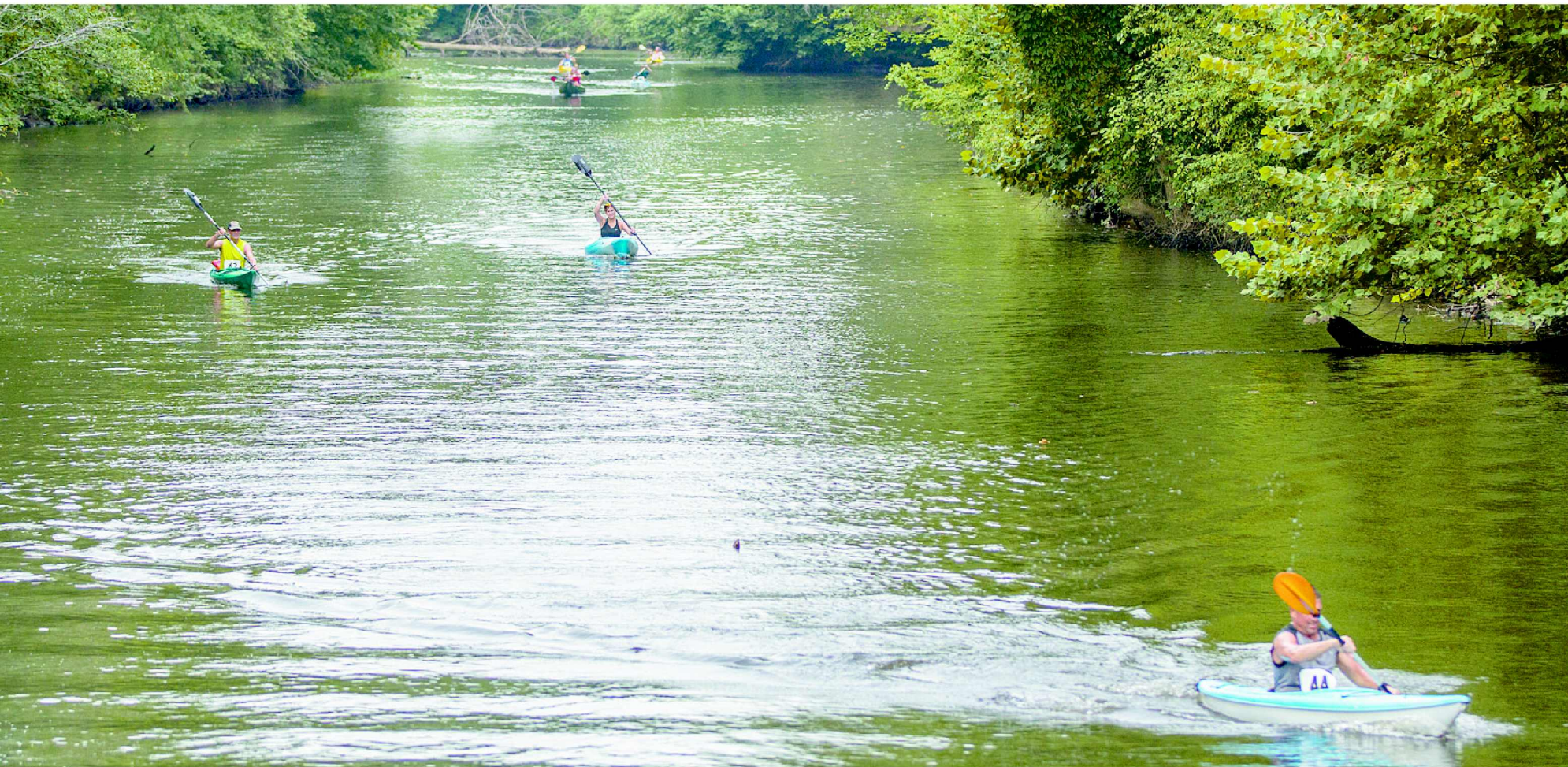
**JASON LANHAM** had a second place finish.



**MICHELLE COLLINS** finished third in the challenge's female division.



**ALAN BLACK** finished third in the male division in Saturday's fitness challenge.

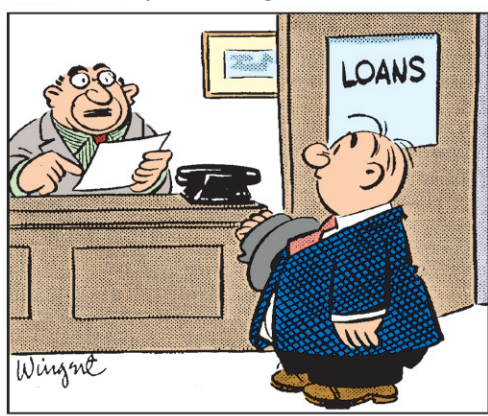


A steady stream of kayaks and canoes was seen on the Tradewater River during the fitness challenge Saturday, Aug. 30.

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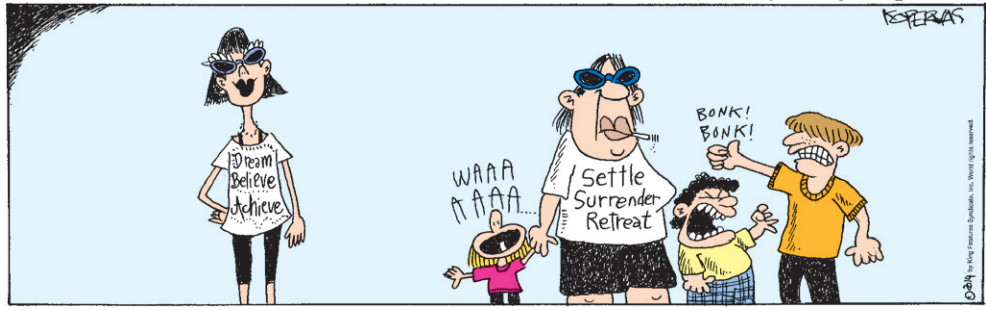
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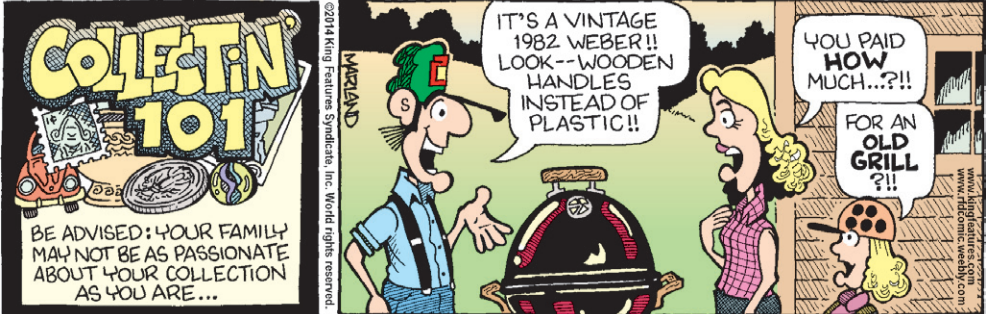
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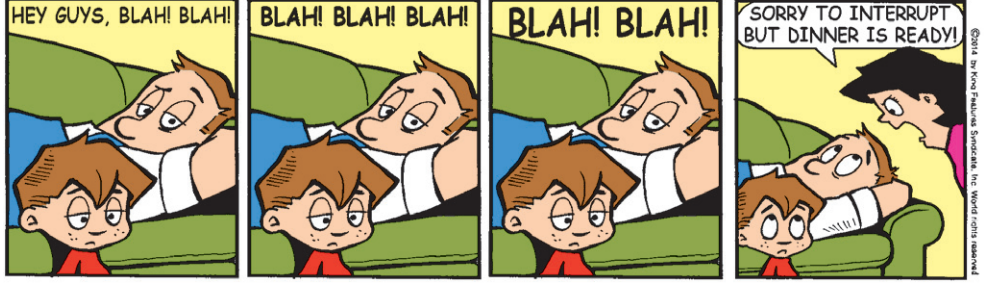
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G L J H F D B Z X O V T R Q O  
N N A M R E G M F T K I E H F  
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V T U N R Q H O O A A N U U O  
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F E L G N A D C K A E L Y K S  
Z X B D E W R O W V L B A O N  
U **WORKHOUSE** S O L O U  
R Q B O A B N D S M K W J L G

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Angle Bookcase Breakout Castoff  
Downturn German Gunshot Label  
Layout Lookout Offhand Raining  
Sellout Workhouse Zebra

**Weekly SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★**

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging  
★★★ HOO BOY!

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**Just Like Cats & Dogs** by Dave T. Phipps

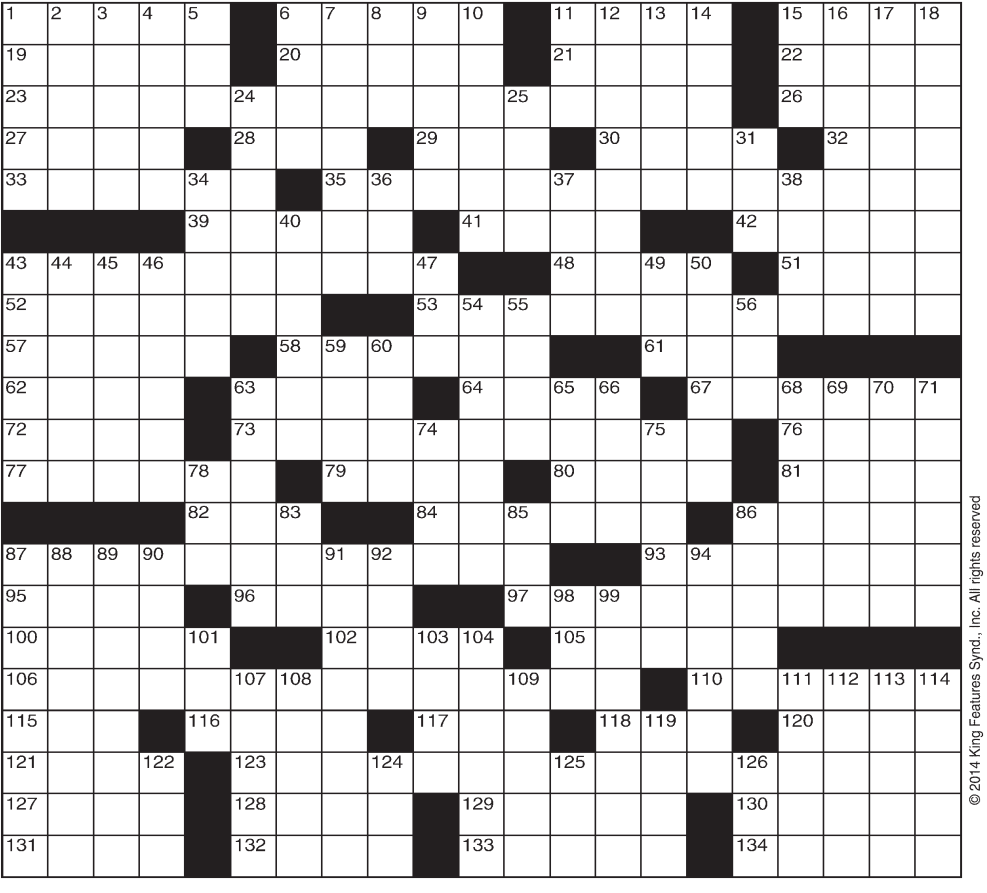
UH... THIS GARBAGE SUPREME YOU INSISTED ON ORDERING ISN'T QUITE DONE. IT HAS TO STOP MOVING FIRST.

# TRIVIA TEST

- MOVIES: Which movie character delivered the famous tagline: "Why so serious?"
  - EXPLORERS: Who was the first explorer to circumnavigate the globe?
  - LITERATURE: What was the original title of Jane Austen's "Pride and Prejudice"?
  - INVENTIONS: Who is credited with inventing Band-Aids?
  - FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: Who once said, "I don't know the key to success, but the key to failure is trying to please everybody"?
  - LANGUAGE: In British slang, what is a "torch"?
  - MUSIC: Which character on "Sesame Street" had a hit single with the song "Rubber Duckie"?
  - GEOGRAPHY: What Central American nation lies between Honduras and Costa Rica?
  - TELEVISION: Which sitcom featured the character Cliff Clavin, and what was his profession?
  - ANATOMY: What is the common name for the axilla?
- Answers
- The Joker (Heath Ledger) in "The Dark Knight"
  - Ferdinand Magellan
  - "First Impressions"
  - Earle Dickson
  - Bill Cosby
  - Flashlight
  - Ernie
  - Nicaragua
  - "Cheers," postal worker
  - Armpit
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# SUPER CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- dish (biology lab container)
  - "Hey, buddy, over here"
  - Bow shapes
  - "Dad" co-star Hawke
  - Building wing
  - Blues singer — James
  - It may hit a bull's-eye
  - Ringin'-up places
  - Kitchen draw
  - High-flying toy
  - Nutrition info
  - Altar promise
  - stop to
  - With 83-Down, glacial epoch
  - Egyptian beetle
  - Common back-to-school buys
  - Kind of eye surgery
  - University official
  - Arrives
  - Hollywood stars, say
  - La Scala star
  - Jean — (Revlon brand)
  - Lawlessness
  - Slacks with folds
  - Singer Berry
  - City near Phoenix, on an envelope
  - Mendes or Longoria
  - Plant that's the source of poi
  - Pig sound
  - Piper
  - Do-nothings
  - Pastiche
  - Family trees show them
  - Telling sign
  - Rocked from shock
  - Writer — St. Vincent
  - Millay
  - Granted
  - "La Dolce —"
  - Grassy field
  - Footwear
  - Hybrid offspring of two kinds of roaring cats
  - Anglers' tools
  - Impartial
  - Do — others ...
  - Repeated word in a Doris Day song title
  - Casanovas
  - Specialist on a running track
  - "Nothing — it seems"
  - Tricks
  - Coaster sites
  - Cause long-lasting anger
  - Hollywood's Cage, to pals
  - Hip-hop pal
  - Kosh
  - B'Gosh
  - Tavern cask
  - Spots in la Seine
  - Roman 202
  - Operators are involved with them
  - 2009 Wimbledon semifinalist
  - Tommy
  - Dreaded dino
  - Fixes text
  - Once upon —
  - Bone in the forearm
  - Old oil name
  - Feeling
  - Things that this puzzle's nine longest answers have
- DOWN**
- Light kisses
  - Body of moral values
  - Sorority letter
  - Relay runner
  - Ballpoint fluid
  - Acclaim
  - Toronto site
  - Mag for execs
  - Do another lube job on
  - Radiated, as charm
  - House cat, e.g.
  - "Hurry up!"
  - Walk cockily
  - Small sample
  - Rumpus
  - Guy using a CB
  - Davy of the frontier
  - Accents
  - 1969 Tony winner Jerry
  - Branching point
  - "Nashville" network
  - "Alas and —!"
  - Kiev's land: Abbr.
  - Nil
  - Chaplin's fourth wife
  - Confound
  - Part of SPF
  - Get a lungful
  - One of TV's Partridges
  - Vacation facility
  - Peace sign
  - Counsel
  - Olympic swimmer's assignment
  - Operatic bass Pinza
  - Dog paw part
  - Relative of -ette or -trix
  - Timetable, for short
  - Humorist Nash and others
  - Frozen waffle brand
  - Turning tuner
  - Comic Jon
  - Political exile
  - Rip again
  - Sounds like an angry dog
  - Blue dye from a plant
  - "... we speak"
  - Drug magnate Lilly
  - See 32-Across
  - Opposite
  - Verdi's "— Miller"
  - Mustache named for a Chinese criminal
  - Hostile
  - Native of a Caribbean island nation
  - Weeders' tools
  - Chips brand
  - Brewery kiln
  - Oomph
  - Mork from —
  - Pirates' guns
  - Crimson, e.g.
  - Per each unit
  - Pageant bands
  - Unlucky
  - Pitchers
  - Island
  - Mafia boss
  - Fashionable Calvin
  - "— at 'em!"
  - Slalom turns
  - To be, to Livy
  - "Well, this — surprise!"
  - Prefix with skeleton
  - Writer Anais
  - Mineo of movies



# To Your Good Health

By Keith Roach, M.D.  
**Will Menopause Shrink Fibroid?**

DEAR DR. ROACH: I am 50 years old. In the past three months there have been indicators that I am perimenopausal. I have a very large fibroid. It is described as "six months" in size. I am not a candidate for embolization. I presently have no painful symptoms, and, with iron therapy, I am no longer anemic.

Doctors have recommended a hysterectomy. However, I am reluctant, as I am so close to menopause and believe the tumor should shrink. What are the risks of not removing this large fibroid? I am aware this surgery is common; however, I have profound concern about the risk of blood loss. -- L.L.

ANSWER: A fibroid, also called a leiomyoma, is a (usually) benign tumor of the uterus. Fibroids may cause symptoms of bleeding, pain or pressure, or may have no symptoms at all. Gynecologists describe the size of the uterus with its fibroid as the equivalent of a pregnant uterus, so "six months" is a large fibroid indeed. Gynecologists will follow the size of the fibroid by exam or ultrasound in order to show that it is stable. A growing fibroid is suspicious for a sarcoma, a malignant tumor that 1 percent to 2 percent of fibroids transform into.

Because fibroids respond to hormones, they indeed tend to stabilize or shrink at menopause, when female hormone production decreases. If the fibroid is stable in size and isn't causing symptoms, then there is no need to have surgery. You can see what happens to the fibroid with time.

Questions about uterine fibroids are answered in the booklet of that name. To obtain a copy, write: Dr. Roach -- No. 1106W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and

address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

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DEAR DR. ROACH: How long do shin splints last? Is there anything besides ice that will make them go away faster? My left shin started hurting a little more than three weeks ago, and I ran once or twice on it, then I stopped, but it still hurts. Is this normal? When do you think I can run on it? I don't think it was increasing my distance that did it, but I did a longer run on a flat path that I normally do with hills, so I thought maybe that was the problem -- but three weeks seems like too long. -- H.O.

ANSWER: Pain in the shin bone (tibia) is common in runners, but the hard part is distinguishing between "shin splints," properly called "medial tibial stress syndrome," and a stress fracture of the tibia. A stress fracture usually has a discrete area of tenderness, but MTSS has more diffuse tenderness. An X-ray may be needed to be sure it isn't a stress fracture, since the treatment is very different. A runner with a stress fracture needs to avoid impact activities like running, whereas MTSS usually gets better with just lower running mileage.

In your case, the degree of pain is higher than I would expect after three weeks. I'd recommend an X-ray.

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Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to [ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu](mailto:ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu). To view and order health pamphlets, visit [www.rbmamall.com](http://www.rbmamall.com), or write to P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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# ANSWERS To This Week's Puzzles

**Answer**

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**Answers**

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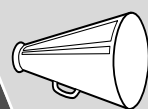
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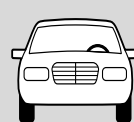
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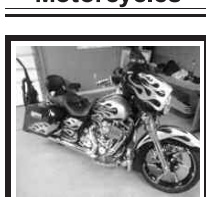
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## LBL Piney Campers' Fair Scheduled For Mid-Sept.

Piney Campground at Land Between The Lakes will host its 41st annual Campers' Fair Sept. 17-21. The Campers' Fair will showcase the newest in RVs, camping equipment, golf carts and boats. The flea market will include arts, crafts and other items for sale.

The event is open and free to the general public from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 20 and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 21. Guests can also enjoy a variety of entertainment, dancing, games and music.

Campsites and shelters are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations can

be made at [www.landbetweenthelakes.us](http://www.landbetweenthelakes.us) or by phoning 1-800-525-7077 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Piney Campground campers will have access to the entire event, including live music on Friday and Saturday nights.

Piney Campground offers scenic lake front and wooded sites capable of accommodating tents and large RVs, ranging from primitive to full hookups. Rustic camping shelters are also available. Hiking and biking trails, ball courts and fields, a playground and a pavilion are also available to campers.

## 9/11 Heroes Run 2014 Scheduled For Sept. 6

The 9/11 Heroes Run 2014, 5K and 1 mile Fun Run will take place at 8 p.m. Sept. 6 in downtown Madisonville.

The run honors Sgt. William Rudd (Patrick Rudd Project) who was killed in action in Iraq Oct. 5, 2008.

## Elk Bugling Season Nears At LBL's Bison Prairie

Mature bull elk in the Elk and Bison Prairie at Land Between The Lakes begin their mating season in September. The Elk and Bison Prairie is open seven days a week from dawn to dusk and features a 3.5-mile paved loop road.

Interpretive stops help visitors view wildlife and learn more about this native habitat. Prairie passes cost \$5 per vehicle and are available at the Elk and Bison Prairie entrance or at any Land Between The Lakes facility.

"The peak of bugling season usually occurs from mid-September to

mid-October," said Curtis Fowler, range and wildlife technician at LBL. "This is one of the most exciting times to drive through the prairie."

Currently, the prairie has 55 to 60 elk and 75 bison.

The best time to hear the unusual bugling sound and see the elk calves is late afternoon. The bugling actually sounds like a loud squeal.

LBL asks visitors to observe the Elk and Bison Prairie rules to be safe. Visitors are to remain in their vehicle when these large animals are nearby.



**AUGUST Industry of the Month presentation features (from left) Mark Lee, Madisonville city councilman; Donnie Carroll, Hopkins Co. Judge Executive; Jimmy Kubach, founder of High Tech Chrome Plating; Tim Teel, EDC board chairman; Gerald Cook, EDC president; Jamie Bundren, EDC vice president.**

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## High Tech Chrome Plating Named Industry Of Month

The Madisonville-Hopkins County Economic Development Corporation announced last week that High Tech Chrome Plating Inc., with operations in Madisonville, has been named Industry of the Month for August in the corporation's program for enhanced focus on existing industry.

Founded in 1988 and owned by Jimmy Ku-

bach, High Tech Chrome Plating is a nationwide leader in the industrial chrome plating industry.

The company recently finished construction of a new 18,000-square foot building that more than doubles facility capacity and opens doors for potential future growth. High Tech Chrome Plating employs 24 citizens in Madisonville-Hopkins County.



**MCC board members are (from left) Shawn Noffsinger, Cierra Gonzales, Robert Brooks, and Michael Farris.**

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## New MCC Board Members Appointed By Governor

Madisonville Community College president Dr. Judith L. Rhoads has announced the appointment of Robert W. Brooks to the college's board of directors. Brooks was appointed by Gov. Steve Beshear to a five-year term. He is vice president of the Dr. Loman C. Trover Medical Education and Research Center at Baptist Health Madisonville.

Board members Michael K. Farris and Christopher Shawn Noffsinger were reappointed by Beshear for five-year terms. Farris is a retired educator from Webster

County. Noffsinger operates Noffsinger Physical Therapy in Muhlenberg County. Also joining the board for the 2014-2015 academic year is MCC's Student Government Association president Cierra Gonzales.

Other board members currently serving are Dr. Alan J. Thorner, chairman, Madisonville; Bonita Hatfield, vice chairwoman, Marion; Gary E. Carver, Central City; and Cheryl D. Moore, Madisonville. Felecia Johnson serves as the faculty representative, and Michael Johnson serves as the staff representative.

## 26th Annual Pow Wow Scheduled For Sept. 6-7

The Hopkinsville Christian County Trail of Tears Commission will host the 26th annual Pow Wow Sept. 6 and 7 at Trail of Tears Park. The Pow Wow will take place in the park's new performing arena.

Gates open at 10 a.m. for the Native American

dance competitions, activities and events, plus a variety of food, beverage and merchandise vendors.

The public is urged to attend. For information, visit [www.trailoftears.org](http://www.trailoftears.org). Information is also available on Facebook and Twitter.

## MCC Offers H.S. Students College Credit Classes

More than 1,000 high school students will earn college credit this year through the Pathways to College Program at Madisonville Community College.

Students taking dual or articulated credit at high schools and tech campuses in Hopkins and surrounding counties earn both high school and college credits for up to four courses at an affordable cost that can be as low as \$50 per semester."

Students participating in the Pathways to College program can complete some of the basic

classes in math, English and history without leaving their high school or tech campus. Career and technical education courses leading to one of the many career fields offered through MCC are also available.

Pathways to College is an effort to prepare students for college work, to reduce the costs of a college education and to save time completing it.

Students interested in the Pathways to College program should contact their local guidance office to see what opportunities are available.

## Area Schools Benefitted By Baptist Health Grants

Three area elementary schools have been awarded grants from Baptist Health Madisonville to launch Project Fit America, a fitness program aimed at reducing childhood obesity and increasing physical activity for all levels of students.

Longest Elementary School in Greenville, Sinking Fork Elementary in Christian County and West Broadway Elementary School in Madisonville have each been awarded a \$16,500 grant for indoor and outdoor fitness equipment, teacher training and curriculum materials.

In-service events were held at each school to provide training for the physical education teach-

ers who will be responsible for the program, and the outdoor playground equipment is being installed. Formal kick-off events will be held in late September and early October at each facility.

Mike Baumgartner, Baptist Health Madisonville president, believes the program exemplifies Baptist Health's focus on health and wellness at a time when obesity and its related conditions, such as diabetes, are among Kentucky's greatest health risks.

For Baptist Health, the goal is that lives will be changed, new habits will be created and communities will be engaged in types of healthy programs that can change the look of healthcare for Kentucky in the future.

## LBL Announces Dates For Teacher Appreciation Day

Land Between The Lakes National Recreation Area offers teachers free general admission to The Homeplace, Golden Pond Planetarium and Woodlands Nature Station Sept. 20 and 21.

Current and retired teachers, home educators and their immediate families qualify for free entry. A letter printed on school letterhead, a school faculty ID card or home educator identification must be presented at each site.

"We want to support area educators for all that they do for their students," said Sharon Waltrip, environmental education program manager. "We invite teachers to come out to our day facilities to enjoy them with their families, see what we have to offer and pick up an educator resource packet. We have environmental education programs that encourage critical thinking and hands-on learning about nature, history and space."

## Madisonville Adventure Race Scheduled For Sept. 20

The second annual Madisonville is an Adventure Race will be held Sept. 20.

Participants are invited to solve clues and participate in mental and physical challenges during this event that benefits Hopkins County Schools' Positive Behavioral Interventions and

Supports program.

The competitive race will start at the Hopkins County Judicial Center at 9:30 a.m., with the family and friends race starting at 10 a.m. The rain date is Sept. 27.

Information and entry forms are available at [www.hopkins.kyschools.us/adventurerace](http://www.hopkins.kyschools.us/adventurerace).

## Museum/Art Center Announces Dates For Plant And Tag Sale

The Dawson Springs Museum and Art Center will sponsor a tag sale Sept. 4-6 on South Main Street. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 8 a.m. to noon

Saturday. Plants and additional donated items will be sold. Select items will be 50 percent off.

Proceeds support the local museum.



**CONNOR AMES, eighth grader, struggles in the tug-of-war competition at the Fun Night event Friday, Aug. 22, at the municipal park.**

photo by Mike Howton

## Gatton Academy Named Top High School In U.S.

The Carol Martin Gatton Academy of Mathematics and Science in Kentucky has been named the number one high school in the nation by The Daily Beast for the third consecutive year.

The Gatton Academy, located on the campus of Western Kentucky University, ranked number one in 2012 and 2013 on the Newsweek/The Daily Beast joint list, and this year's list is solely from The Daily Beast, an award-winning online news site.

The ranking from The Daily Beast used six indicators from school surveys to compare public high schools in the United States, with graduation and college accep-

tance rates weighed most heavily. Other criteria included college-level courses and exams, percentage of students with free or reduced lunch, as well as SAT and ACT scores.

The Gatton Academy ranked as the number one high school in three of the five main categories judged. It was first in college bound students, as 100 percent of the students go to college, and first in graduation, where 100 percent of the students graduate high school. The rigor aspect was the Gatton Academy's other number one ranking, with 100 percent of the students enrolled in AP/IB courses and students taking an average of 3.3 exams.



**CARTER McCUTCHEN, 6, enters the Dawson Springs Elementary School Monday, Aug. 11, with his mother Tiffany for the first day of school.**